

TO PROVIDE FUNDS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF RECREATIONAL AND VISITOR FACILITIES IN WASHINGTON COUNTY, UTAH, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

APRIL 9, 2002.—Committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union and ordered to be printed

Mr. HANSEN, from the Committee on Resources,
submitted the following

R E P O R T

[To accompany H.R. 3848]

[Including cost estimate of the Congressional Budget Office]

The Committee on Resources, to whom was referred the bill (H.R. 3848) to provide funds for the construction of recreational and visitor facilities in Washington County, Utah, and for other purposes, having considered the same, report favorably thereon without amendment and recommend that the bill do pass.

PURPOSE OF THE BILL

The purpose of H.R. 3848 is to provide funds for the construction of recreational and visitor facilities in Washington County, Utah, and for other purposes.

BACKGROUND AND NEED FOR LEGISLATION

Washington County is one of the fastest growing areas in the State of Utah, and a premier tourist destination. Several years ago, the Bureau of Land Management, Washington County Water Conservancy District, and the Utah Division of State Parks, together with local leaders and stakeholders, teamed up to identify necessary recreation opportunities, programs, and facilities in the Sand Hollow Area, near the City of St. George. In May 2001, these agencies completed a cooperative management plan based on public input and involvement.

The Sand Hollow Area Recreation Management Plan envisions the development of two campgrounds, a full service marina, a group campground, and four separate day-use pavilions to draw recreationists to a centralized location with diverse recreational op-

portunities. These facilities are essential to the success of this area, which has the potential to become the predominant recreation area in the region. The recreation area will thus serve as a buffer to urban growth in the St. George area.

The plan divided the initial funding equally between the three agencies, equating to a one-time share of \$2,500,000 for the Bureau of Land Management. These funds, together with the State and county funds, will be used to implement the plan and construct the necessary facilities. This bill authorizes the Bureau of Land Management's share of these one-time initial costs of the project.

COMMITTEE ACTION

H.R. 3848 was introduced on March 5, 2002, by Congressman James V. Hansen (R-UT). The bill was referred to the Committee on Resources. On March 20, 2002, the Full Resources Committee met to consider the bill. No amendments were offered and the bill was ordered favorably reported to the House of Representatives by unanimous consent.

COMMITTEE OVERSIGHT FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Regarding clause 2(b)(1) of rule X and clause 3(c)(1) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the Committee on Resources' oversight findings and recommendations are reflected in the body of this report.

CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY STATEMENT

Article I, section 8 of the Constitution of the United States grants Congress the authority to enact this bill.

COMPLIANCE WITH HOUSE RULE XIII

1. Cost of Legislation. Clause 3(d)(2) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives requires an estimate and a comparison by the Committee of the costs which would be incurred in carrying out this bill. However, clause 3(d)(3)(B) of that rule provides that this requirement does not apply when the Committee has included in its report a timely submitted cost estimate of the bill prepared by the Director of the Congressional Budget Office under section 402 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974.

2. Congressional Budget Act. As required by clause 3(c)(2) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives and section 308(a) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, this bill does not contain any new budget authority, spending authority, credit authority, or an increase or decrease in revenues or tax expenditures.

3. General Performance Goals and Objectives. As required by clause 3(c)(4) of rule XIII, the general performance goal or objective of this bill is to provide funds for the construction of recreational and visitor facilities in Washington County, Utah, and for other purposes.

4. Congressional Budget Office Cost Estimate. Under clause 3(c)(3) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives and section 403 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, the Committee has received the following cost estimate for this bill from the Director of the Congressional Budget Office:

U.S. CONGRESS,
CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE,
Washington, DC, March 26, 2002.

Hon. JAMES V. HANSEN,
Chairman, Committee on Resources,
U.S. House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: The Congressional Budget Office has prepared the enclosed cost estimate for H.R. 3848, a bill to provide funds for the construction of recreational and visitor facilities in Washington County, Utah, and for other purposes.

If you wish further details on this estimate, we will be pleased to provide them. The CBO staff contact is Megan Carroll.

Sincerely,

DAN L. CRIPPEN,
Director.

Enclosure.

H.R. 3848—A bill to provide funds for the construction of recreational and visitor facilities in Washington County, Utah, and for other purposes

H.R. 3848 would authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide a grant of \$2.5 million to the state of Utah to build recreational and visitor facilities in the Sand Hollow Recreation Area located in Washington County, Utah. Based on information from the Department of the Interior, CBO estimates that implementing this bill would cost \$2.5 million in 2003, assuming appropriation of the specified amount. The bill would not affect direct spending or receipts; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures would not apply.

H.R. 3848 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would impose no costs on state, local, or tribal governments.

The CBO staff contact for this estimate is Megan Carroll. This estimate was approved by Peter H. Fontaine, Deputy Assistant Director for Budget Analysis.

COMPLIANCE WITH PUBLIC LAW 104-4

This bill contains no unfunded mandates.

PREEMPTION OF STATE, LOCAL OR TRIBAL LAW

This bill is not intended to preempt any State, local or tribal law.

CHANGES IN EXISTING LAW

If enacted, this bill would make no changes in existing law.